

REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing, reexamination and reconsideration of the application identified in caption, as amended, pursuant to and consistent with 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in light of the remarks which follow, are respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate therein the subject matter of claims 3, 5 and 7. Claims 2 and 14 have been amended to further improve their form. Claims 6 and 8 have been amended to change their dependency to claim 1. Claim 14 has been amended to correct a typographical error in the third compound which incorrectly contained NH₂ groups rather than NH₃ groups as substituents on the platinum. Claim 17 has been amended to depend from claim 1. New claim 25 has been added. Claim 25 is supported by the disclosure, for example, original claim 7. Claims 3, 5 and 7 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 13 was previously canceled. No new matter has been added.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8-12 and 14-25 will be all the claims pending in the application.

I. Disposition of Claims

The Office Action Summary indicates that claims 8-12, 15, 16 and 18-24 are withdrawn.

It is noted that claim 8 is included in elected Group I (see page 2 of the Office Action) and thus should not be withdrawn.

II. Drawings

The Office Action Summary is silent regarding the drawings (19 sheets) filed with the application on April 6, 2006. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge acceptance of the drawings in the next official communication.

III. Response to Objection to the Claims

Claim 14 was objected to as being dependent from a rejected base claim.

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection of claim 1, from which claim 14 depends, has been overcome as set forth below, and thus claim 14 should be allowed.

IV. Response to Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Claims 1-7 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims are in compliance with the § 112 requirements.

As noted above, claim 1, from which claims 2, 4, 6 and 17 depend, has been amended to further define M¹, M², P¹, P², T¹, T² and T³ by incorporating the subject matter of claims 3, 5, and 7. The present specification describes the linking of the metal coordination complexes recited in claim 1 to pyrrole-imidazole polyamides recited in claim 1 by a variety of different linkers. Therefore, a person skilled in the art would understand that Applicants were in possession of the necessary common attributes of the genus described by generic formula (1). Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the § 112 rejection.

V. New claim

Newly added claim 25 depends from claim 1 and is allowable as the rejection of claim 1 has been overcome as set forth above.

VI. Conclusion

From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is believed to be next in order, and such action is earnestly solicited. If there are any

questions concerning this paper or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

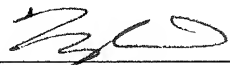
The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

Respectfully submitted,

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